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Simple methods at Van Zile Dining Center reduce food waste

Students, faculty strive to save money while increasing sustainability in dining centers

Anton Trafimovich

Through one graduate student's efforts to increase sustainability at K-State, as well as some eye-catching posters, the Van Zile Dining Hall reported a 15 percent decrease in food waste over

a six-week period. Kelly Whitehair, 2011 K-State doctoral graduate in hospitality management and dietetics, found that such simple and inexpensive methods as posting awareness signs and removing trays from the dining center notably affected its efficien-

Whitehair, who is also the assistant director for the dining center, came up with the idea of hanging posters in the dining center last year.

"When I started thinking what I want to do with my dissertation, I knew I wanted to do something that will help dining services, but not just be published and never used again," Whitehair said. "I also knew I wanted to do something that dealt with sustainability. I knew that looking at student food waste was a 'doable' option. It was something that could be researched without the need for facility or procedural changes."

Whitehair and other stu-

dents enrolled in class together measured student food waste during lunch and dinner meals at Van Zile Dining Center for six weeks. Most of the wasted food, as they found out, was selfserved items such as ranch dressing or ketchup.

Whitehair said she had made some assumptions on this issue before her research. She thought it would be most effective for dining centers to cut down their serving sizes.

"But it's really not," she said. "I think we need to look at the students and see how we can educate them, because I think they are the ones who can make the change."

The next step of White-hair's research was hanging posters urging diners at Van Zile not to waste food. Posters contained simple slogans such as, "Eat what you take. Don't waste food."

Simple though her tactic was, it resulted in 15 percent decline in food waste. As further experiments showed, this simple method worked just as well as more complex

For example, Whitehair also used more heartfelt messages to see if the nature of the message affected the

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Josh Vinyard, custodial supervisor from Manhattan, and Jessica Cassity, junior in psychology, scrape food off plates as they come through the kitchen. Although students eating at Van Zile Dining Center produce a lot of waste, the staff have streamlined the process. Here, the food that was left on the plates goes into buckets which will later be used as feed for K-State farms.

In the process of getting rid of waste, the Van Zile Dining Center staff first scrape off all food waste into buckets before rinsing and cleaning the dishes.

Tradition runs deep for front row fans



A crowd of Wildcat fans as they cheer on their team just after scoring late in the second half during the game against Texas. The fans high energy kept the Wildcats motivated, who defeated the Longhorns 84-80.

Adam Suderman

The presence that a student section brings to a college sports environment is dominant.

K-State students are used to the motions of "The Wabash Cannonball" and singing the words as the Kansas State Marching Band plays "Wildcat Victory," an experience special

to any K-State fan.

No matter what university is mentioned, school pride runs deep whether it is in the stands at a game or the daily walk to

What sometimes goes unrecognized are the individuals, or in this case, the group of individuals who make the experience meaningful.

Talk to Alan Heide, Monty Thompson or Michael Pereira and you will hear stories that

are different than most. The three have all carried spots in a group that has existed for around eight to 10 years. There is not a unique name for the group but they carry a special passion for K-State men's basketball that shows up with great visibility.

After sharing the front row at mid-court for several seasons, all three guys have

formed a special bond. They came together because of a

common interest. For Heide, 2011 graduate in criminology, it was about finding a common ground with those waiting in line.

"Sitting in line game after game, talking about sports becomes pretty easy," Heide said. "You find a common ground

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Renowned architect discusses diversity awareness

Jakki Thompson assistant news editor

As College of Architecture, Planning and Design students crowded into the Little Theater in the K-State Student Union on Monday night, three speakers gathered in front: Annie Chu, founding principal of Chu+Gooding Architects; Rick Gooding, principal of Chu+Gooding; and Tim de Noble, dean of the College of Architecture, Planning and Design.

"There was an amazing

diversity of students who came out to see Chu speak," de Noble said. "We had students from interior architecture, architecture, regional and community planning and landscape architecture. So it was nice to have a diversity speaker come out and speak."

Chu was born and raised in Hong Kong and moved to California when she was 16 years old. She did two years of high school in a boarding school in California and then went on to a university to get a degree in biomathematics on the pre-med track.

"When I was in my sophomore year of college, I studied abroad in Europe," Chu said. "I went to Europe to study English literature. When I was in France, I remember walking through the Rouen Cathedral. The space affected me. Then when I came back, all of my elective classes were in the fine arts."

Chu went on to talk about how one of her fine arts professors asked her what her major was and why she was always in studio working. She

said the professor asked her if she had ever considered interior architecture, and she de-

cided to switch majors. During Chu's presentation, Gooding drew on a tablet instead of being the lead presenter. The screen showing the PowerPoint Presentation was a dual screen, which also showed Gooding's live sketches.

"It was really great to see Rick sketch," de Noble said. "It was cool to see him flow

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New academic fraternity established on campus

Jakki Thompson assistant news editor

In December, a new student organization joined K-State: the Kappa Sigma Upsilon chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association.

College is one of the biggest times in students' lives to network with people before they enter the work force, said Ronnie Hernandez, president of ACJA and senior in criminology.

Hernandez said the creators of the organization wanted to establish a way to connect with fellow students who were passionate about the various branches of legal studies and

law enforcement. "The founders of the national organization wanted to initiate a brotherhood network with this group," Hernandez said. "Originally, this started by just incorporating and networking with police and law enforcement. Then it was broadened to the courts and forensics. The founders wanted the connection to the brother-

hood to be lifelong." Crystian Torres, vice president of ACJA and sophomore in criminology, said he was considering transferring to another university. While investigating possible transfer schools, he saw that some of these schools had an ACJA chapter on campus as a part of

their criminology department.
Torres thought K-State would benefit from partnering with the organization.

"This is a really great networking device," he said. "The national ACJA sponsors huge job fairs. There are also national and regional conferences that are all excellent times for students to network with professionals in their aspiring

Students who are interested in joining the organization must either be in a criminology, pre-law, or parks and conservation management degree program, or they have to have taken a course in one of these majors. Potential members should also have a strong passion for the field of criminol-

ogy.
"Students who are interested in joining have to go through an interview process," Hernandez said. "We let students in on an individual basis. It all comes down to what we as an organization can do for them and what they can do for us."

Anne Tomlin, treasurer of ACJA and freshman in criminology, said she immediately knew the organization would benefit K-State.

When Ronnie approached me about this opportunity, I couldn't pass it up," Tomlin said. "I am really passionate about what I want to do with my life, so this will be a great opportunity to make connections, network and make friends?

Even though the group is just starting up, it is already bringing opportunities to K-State students. ACJA has already scheduled a mix of speakers from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Secret Service, a Kansas state judge, a Missouri state highway patrolman and a criminal justice attorney from Manhattan.

"Even though we are a new group with an already established criminology group on campus, we plan on working to get good turnouts at our events," Hernandez said.

With a national goal of connecting college students with employers, this will be an outlet hopefully utilized by many students in the criminology departments and majors, Hernandez said.

"I want to see this group develop into something great," Tomlin said. "I want to see it be built from the ground up. I want to say that I was a part of this since the very beginning."

Meetings are every Wednesday in the K-State Student Union, usually around 6 p.m.



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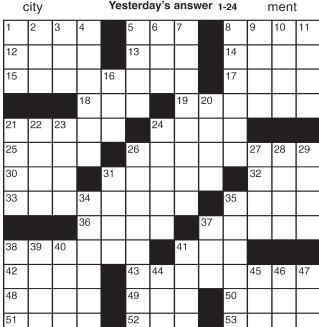
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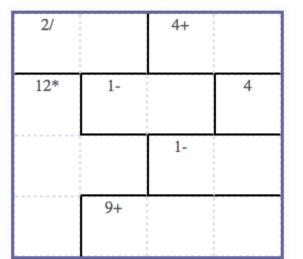
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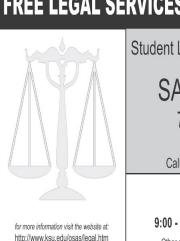


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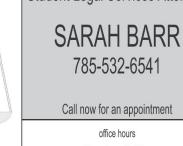
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FANS | Bad weather, classes do not keep enthusiasts from games

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with a bunch of guys and you form a bond with the people

Thompson, senior broadcast journalism, found his passion for attending games when he was in high

"I'd come to as many games as I could," Thompson said. "There was a group of guys that I got to know when I visited the campus and I was able to basically move myself into the group."

Thompson's presence in the group is how Pereira, junior in mass communications, got involved.

"We were in line for a game a couple years ago and Monty stood right behind me," Pereira said. "We started talking K-State sports and I joined in the group as the season progressed."

The passion for K-State runs deep for all of them and it has been a key reason behind their group's identity.

Standing in line for a large number of hours has presented its challenges, but the group as a whole has found

That detail alone was a reason why all three wanted to represent the Wildcats on national television from a fan's perspective.

"I really didn't start following Kansas State basketball 'till I was in high school," Thompson said. "We weren't very good at that point, but something just drew me in. I'd go stand in the front row for football games and I'd see the crazy fans at basketball games as well. I wanted to be a part of that."

It began as a passion for K-State, but the longer Heide participated, he saw it was a passion for cheering on the

"It's something that I got into before I was at K-State," Heide said. "I'd see this group of guys always in the front and I knew it's something I wanted to join."

Once Pereira first experienced the front row, it wasn't something he was going to

"The first time you experience the front row, it's not ketball and kept the tradition

Group attire is not used, but all three carry an outfit or piece of clothing that presents itself fairly regularly come

game time.

Zach Winter, a past member of the group and KSU alumnus, would represent by wearing a referee's shirt and Thompson used that as inspiration. "Zach would always have

his referee shirt," Thompson said. "I caught a white K-State shirt my freshman year and I've worn it to every game Thompson said the more

he wears the outfit, the stronger his attachment grows, either emotionally or through superstition. "I would really feel wrong

not wearing that outfit," Thompson said. "It's become a part of the basketball expe-Heide began by wearing

a dress shirt and tie to each game but realized it was not very comfortable. Soon after was looking for.

winter and has presented several different issues.

There would be a lot of games when the weather is just terrible," Heide said. "We'd build makeshift tents to build some barricades, it would be so cold."

Sickness has hit both Heide and Thompson throughout the years, but during the Texas game two years ago, it hit them both like a brick.

"Before the Texas game, I was in line from 3 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.," Thompson said. "I got to see the sun rise and set in the same day. I don't believe it ever got above 20 degrees."

The game itself was a high point, as K-State knocked off then No. 1-ranked Texas. The experience didn't come without a price, though, as Heide picked up the flu and Thompson had a case of pneumonia.

While with both cases, they each missed several days of classes, neither would trade the experience from that day. Making it to the front

mester," Thompson said. "There has been a group of guys that have jumped in and helped us out in line. They'll also hold up a few of our signs during the game."

The assistance has been an important part of maintaining the group's tradition.

"It has been awesome because, even in moments where we haven't been there, they still give us our spots, Thompson said. "It made those situations a lot easier."

Loyalty is strong in the confines of Bramlage Coliseum, but it also stretches outside of the K-State campus.

The group has attended every Big 12 Conference tournament game and almost every NCAA tournament game in recent years. "We'll travel as much as we

can and often take signs with us," Thompson said. "It's a lot of fun to get on the road and see the different venues of the Big 12 and throughout the

currently residing

in Kansas City, has had to change his routine of making it to every game.

It wasn't easy at first, but realizing it was time to pass on the baton helped ease the transition.

"I had some pretty bad withdrawals at first," Heide said. "I still try to make it back to games whenever I can, but I realized, though, that I had my time and I needed to move on."

Thinking about the end of his K-State career, Thompson had a similar opinion.

"I might become a season ticket holder," Thompson said. "The idea of hanging up routine of being in the front row will not be easy, but it'll probably have to happen."

The passion of these three individuals has helped carry a strong core of the K-State student section.

They hold their Wildcat pride high and hope that other fans will choose to step in their shoes and continue this tradition.



EARLY 2012 TOP TEN NCAA FOOTBALL RANKINGS



Louisiana State University (LSU)

Although Tigers showed a less than stellar performance in the BCS National Championship in 2011, they should come back possibly stronger in 2012. They will have a hole at the quarterback position as both Jordan Jefferson and Jarrett Lee are gone, but Georgia transfer Zach Mettenberger should step in and fill the void. The "Honey Badger" Tyrann Mathieu will lead a defense that should once again be one of the best in the nation.



University of Southern California (USC)

With quarterback Matt Barkley's decision to put the NFL on hold and return for his senior season, the Trojans will jump back into the top ranks of college football after the program's two-year absence from the rankings due to a suspension. Barkley will likely be one of the top Heisman candidates entering the 2012 season and looks to build off of a strong junior year when he threw for more than 3,500 yards and 39 touchdowns.



University of Alabama

The Crimson Tide will have to replace standout running back Trent Richardson and several key pieces from a defense that pitched a shutout in the BCS National Championship against LSU. Returning quarterback AJ McCarron looked more than impressive in that championship game and will have more of an important role going into 2012 with Richardson's absence. Alabama has the nation's best recruiting class bringing in 12 of ESPN's top 150 recruits to play for head coach Nick



University of Oregon

Running back LaMichael James forgoing senior season and is going to the NFL but the Ducks have two proven speedsters in Kenjon Barner and De'Anthony Thomas that should have no problem replacing James' production. After recently turning down the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for their head coaching position, Oregon head coach Chip Kelly is sure to once again have one of the most explosive offenses in the country.



University of Oklahoma

After a disappoint-

ing 2011 campaign where Bob Stoops' team won the Insight Bowl, Oklahoma looks to prove in 2012 that it belongs among the nation's best. Quarterback Landry Jones returns and leads an offense that is always capable of leading the nation in scoring. The Sooners lose Ryan Broyles, possibly the best wide receiver ever to come through Norman, but receivers Kenny Stills and Jaz Reynolds will be back and should be among Jones' favorite tar-



University of Georgia

Junior quarterback Aaron Murray has the potential to be one of college football's leading passers in 2012. Murray

threw for more than 3,000 yards and 35 touchdowns last season and should be the conference's best quarterback statistically. The Bulldogs will hope to challenge LSU and Alabama for the Southeastern Conference's top spot. Georgia's toughest game appears to be at South Carolina, as the Bulldogs do not take on either LSU or Alabama in 2012.



West Virginia University

The Mountaineers proved they could score with the best of college football's offenses as they hung 70 on Clem-

son in the Discover Orange Bowl. With West Virginia most likely joining the Big 12 Conference in 2012, it will be interesting to see how head coach Dana Holgorsen's team adjusts to the conference. West Virginia does sport an offense that should fit nicely in the Big 12 where the spread offense is featured. Quarterback Geno Smith returns as well as eight other starters on a high-powered offense that hopes to rank among the Big 12's best in 2012.



University of Michigan

Coming off their first 11-win season since 2006, the Wolverines and head coach Brady Hoke look to build on an impressive 2011

season. Michigan beat rival Ohio State in the regular season finale after losing seven straight times to the Buckeyes. The Wolverines carried that momentum into their final game where they beat Virginia Tech in the Allstate Sugar Bowl. Quarterback Denard Robinson returns as one of the nation's most electrifying players and hopes to lead Michigan to a second straight Big Ten Conference title.



University of South Carolina

The Gamecocks won 11 games for the first time in 2011 and hope to be back at it in 2012. Steve Spurrier's team wants to build off a dominat-

ing performance against Nebraska in the Capital One Bowl. Quarterback Connor Shaw returns and will be the team's starter from day one but will need to prove he is capable of performing at a high level for an entire season. Running back Marcus Lattimore is coming off an injury-plagued 2011 season but has the possibility to be the nation's top rusher. The defense boasts one of the top defensive lines behind standout pass-rusher Jadeveon Clowney.



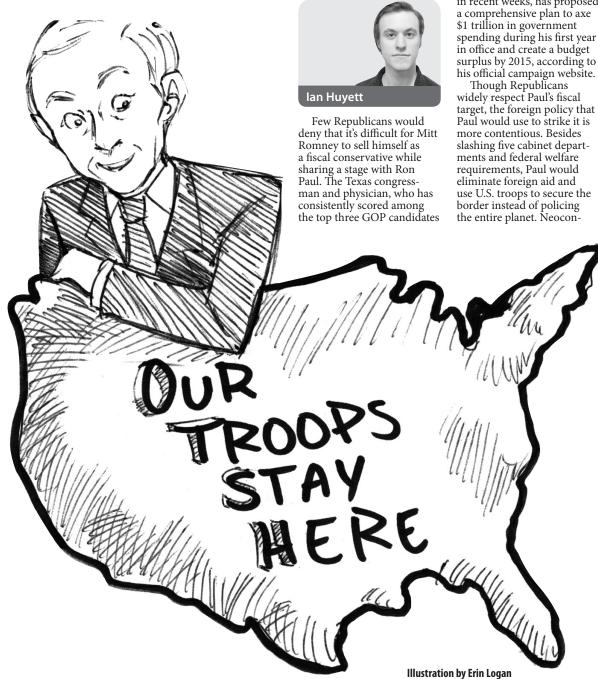
Kansas State University

Quarterback Collin Klein is a real Heisman candidate entering the 2012 season after accounting for 40 touchdowns this past season. The Wildcats were a surprise team in 2011

but are a threat to win the Big 12 in 2012. Head coach Bill Snyder hopes to continue to build a K-State team that won 10 games and finished second in the Big 12. Linebacker Arthur Brown and corner Nigel Malone lead a defense that looked strong against Arkansas in the AT&T Cotton Bowl. Special teams' standout Tyler Lockett returns and should be healthy after missing the latter part of the season due to injury. With a well-rounded team returning, the Wildcats should be dangerous again in 2012.

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Ron Paul strongest candidate on national defense policy



in recent weeks, has proposed a comprehensive plan to axe \$1 trillion in government spending during his first year in office and create a budget surplus by 2015, according to his official campaign website. Though Republicans widely respect Paul's fiscal

tries, would ensure a militarily strong United States. Not unlike the myriad fallen empires of history — potentially, America's predecessors — our waste-ful policy of overextension is leaving the U.S. increasingly ill-prepared to compete with its rivals on the world stage. China tasks its military with protecting China, Russia tasks its military with protecting Russia and we task our military with babysitting the whole world. By consolidating our armed

> We've stretched our troops who I'd venture to say generally enlist to protect America, not Uganda across 150 countries around the globe, according to vetfriends.com. More of our soldiers are stationed in Germany than in Afghanistan. There are 28,500 U.S. troops guarding South Korea's border with North Korea, according to a June 22, 2011, American Thinker column by Ethel C. Fenig. That's at least 6,000 more than the number of agents employed by the entire U.S. Border Patrol.

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protect America's future from what should be a perplexing

CNN reports that on Dec. 20, 2011, the Department of Homeland Security announced plans to cut the number of National Guard troops along our border with Mexico from 1,200 to 300. The same day, the Jerusalem Post reported that the U.S. is deploying thousands of

soldiers halfway around the world for a missile-defense exercise in Israel, a country that already receives millions from beleaguered American taxpayers yearly.

Whatever immigration policy one supports, it isn't hard to see that our military should be protecting America instead of, for example, Japan. Whether you methodically screen all who enter your home or affably welcome strangers in ski masks, it's a good idea to have a security system. It certainly isn't economical to go into debt securing 100 of your neighbors' homes while neglecting your own.

Our military exists to protect the people whose tax dollars pay for its existence. If we're required to contribute to a money pool, it stands to reason that it should benefit those who have paid into it. Draining it dry for the benefit of those who haven't is theft by any measure. This is exactly what our current policy of needless interventionism and foreign aid does.

"I want an American character," wrote George Washington, "that the powers of Europe may be convinced we act for ourselves and not for others; this, in my judgment, is the only way to be respected abroad and happy at home." Like Washington, Ron Paul champions an Americafirst foreign policy that rejects subservience to international interests. A vote for Ron Paul is a vote for the sovereign and pragmatic approach to national defense taken by the men who founded our country — a vote to revive our American character.

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Student Senate purpose clear, certain areas lack professionalism



Being an outsider at student organization meetings can feel like looking through a kaleidoscope. It can seem clustered and even intimidating depending on how you, as a student, look into the organization. Due to my job covering a variety of events and meetings for the Collegian, I have felt this way about so many different groups, but Student Senate, in particular, has presented me with quite a learning curve.

I think more students need to become more intimately aware of who the student senators are and what the group does. Students from different colleges on campus elect these students to be the voting members for the rest of us. These are the students who are supposed to be looked up to and be the leaders of this campus.

It's hard for me, as an outsider, to simply report on the events that occur in the meetings when so many other conversations occur than those presented on the surface.

The point of this opinion piece is not to diminish what the Student Governing Association does, but to bring to light certain inefficient and problematic areas. The student senators spend many hours working diligently to approve and distribute funds so other student groups can function. They spend time sitting in meetings debating and approving legislation on top of taking

part in committee meetings discussing these pieces of legislation in more detail. These students spend many of their days either waking up early or staying up late to make important decisions about funding and other actions that affect the K-State campus. They have the power to make or break the worthy causes that students so passionately dedicate them-

However, despite the group's dedication, certain actions and incidents downgrade the organization's level of professionalism and credibility.

Professionalism vanishes when, while waiting for meetings to begin outside of the Big 12 Room in the K-State Student Union, I hear underage student senators and interns talk openly and loudly about getting so drunk that they forgot where they were the past weekend. Other senators patronize student groups whose members don't understand the inner workings and protocol of Student Senate. I have seen the executive members tell visiting members of organizations to be quiet when trying to clarify a point of information. This is an issue of professionalism, which could use improvement, but there are even more serious problems that affect the deci-

sions senators make.

Unfortunately, misinformation spreads through the Student Senate in their discussions about issues important to K-State and the city of Manhattan. Due to my experience covering SGA, Manhattan City Commission and Manhattan Housing Authority meetings over the last semester, I have been exposed to many sides of local politics. Seeing student senators sit in meetings and re-

search the pieces of legislation they will talk about later that evening is unacceptable. All members of the voting body should be well-versed and wellinformed about the pieces of legislation before the meeting

commences.

One example that particularly bothered me was the Senate's discussion of the city commission's Fake Patty's Day work session during the fall 2011 semester, which was a hot topic for both the Manhattan and K-State communities. However, when the Senate shared information from the work session with the student body, a student senator inaccurately reported certain facts. The senator left out the key point that overcrowding in bars poses a major safety hazard, especially

in the event of a fire.

This also occurred after the city commission's work session on the topic of funding social services. Students in SGA made a resolution supporting the continued funding for the social services agencies of the city of Manhattan, but the SGA members who composed the resolution were unable to explain to the Senate how the agencies would be affected.

I have also seen student senators, who should already have been prepared, scrambling to research legislation for 20 minutes before discussions, then switching back to ESPN to check game scores. Incidents like this happen in nearly every meeting I have covered. I don't understand how this is acceptable behavior for student senators, who should be more focused on the issues they are elected to know about.

Even though Student Senate is a productive body, there are still certain areas that require



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improvement, including members' respect toward student groups and their overall professionalism and organization within meetings. All members of Student Senate should be held to a higher standard than

other students due to their participation in this student organization, which has the power to fund, or not to fund, important student groups. That standard should not be abandoned upon leaving the Big 12 Room

every Thursday night.

Jakki Thompson is a freshman in journalism and mass communications and women's studies. Please send all comments to opinion@kstatecollegian.com.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In Monday's article "Realistic toy weapons too closely mimic real guns, normalize violence," Kaylea Pallister believes that "the message that these realistic toys are sending children is that it's OK to shoot guns and OK to have guns."

To this I have to say you are 100 percent right. It is OK for children to have and shoot guns, that is under the proper teaching and supervision of a parent or adult first. I grew up with realistic toy guns, my friends and I spent countless hours exploring the timber and creek with pellet guns in hand, I was taught and understood even at a young age the responsibilities of gun ownership. I definitely knew the difference between a toy and a real firearm. None of us turned into street thugs, or gang members thirsting for violence. You have to go deeper into the subject than the tool that is commonly blamed for violence. I think a better topic for this article would have been, "The environment we grow up in has a larger role in how we act than the toys we played with do."

> Andrew Seufert Junior College of Agriculture

TO THE POINT

Food waste method tested at dining center, needs student involvement

To the point is an editorial selected and debated by the editorial board and written after a majority opinion is formed. This is the Collegian's official opinon.

Wasting food: it's an awful act we are all guilty of. Didn't like the dining hall's PB and J sandwich today? Chances are, if you didn't, it ended up in the trash

It's common for students to scrape our wallets to feed the hunger studying provokes, but no one can deny how we, as a culture, are wasteful when it comes to food.

However, the experiment conducted by Kelly Whitehair, assistant director for the Van Zile Dining Center, resulted in a 15 percent decrease in food waste through a couple of simple techniques. It seems that although people throw away food mind-

lessly, Whitehair's methods raise awareness before students even hit the buffet. By simply posting signs and removing trays from the dining center, people have been made aware of differing options of sustainability. Thus far, it has been successful. And as an editorial board, we are pleasantly surprised.

The concept goes hand-in-hand with the environmentally friendly image K-State has cultivated for the past few years. Encouraging students to conserve resources is an important step toward a greener environment.

Though the Van Zile Dining Center experiment seems a great way to save resources you are already paying for, it goes beyond just food. This could be a great opportunity for an attitude check. Living beyond your means can no longer be a mindless

act. Loading your tray up thoughtfully or saving your leftovers is a simple personal step you can take to prevent waste, and as Whitehair's research shows, a little thoughtfulness adds up over time.

Changing your sustainability could be a complete attitude change, and the steps the Van Zile Dining Center is taking are great. Our hope is that, as food waste continues to decline, more residence halls see this change as a great thing and continue this trend.

More importantly, it's very powerful to see how K-State students can improve the world with just a few small changes to their food consumption. We hope that students see this as more than a way to save food, but also an easy way to change our culture's disposable behavior.

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VAN ZILE Posters help reduce food waste

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response of diners.

One poster read, "How many children could you feed with the food you threw away?"

Whitehair found that these posters had the same impact as the originals.

Hanging posters is not the only way to reduce food waste in dining centers. Student dietitians completing their supervised practice at Van Zile took trays away from Van Zile on Earth Day, pushing diners to think about their food choices in advance and to take only the food they could really finish.

The result of the one-day experiment showed a tremendous difference in the amount of food waste with and without trays in the dining center.

Theresa Yocum, sophomore in animal science, said the new initiative has impacted people around her, helping students in Van Zile change wasteful behav-

"My roommate, she doesn't use trays half the time," she said.

Yocum said she observed her roommate's change in dining habits after the posters in the dining center were hung.

Another advantage of trayless dining is saving money on facilities. For a dining center like Van Zile, it means conserving, at minimum, the water and soap used to wash 400 trays per meal.

"It's just all these little things, but you don't really think of it unless you start putting it in numbers," Whitehair said.

According to Whitehair, K-State staff are considering removing trays permanently from dining centers.

"If it would happen, Van Zile is perfectly set up for it," she said. "Other buildings, you might have to remodel or change the way you put your trays. But it's definitely

Juergen Greve, gameday recycling coordinator with the Division of Facilities, supports the idea of going trayless for K-State.

"I've seen absurd amounts of food waste in my time eating and working in both Van Zile and Derby," said Greve, who is also a senior in mechanical engineering and natural resources and environmental sciences. "I think going trayless would greatly reduce the amount of food wasted as well as reduce the number of dishes that have to be washed. However, as with any change, people will be very opposed to it at first but will get used to it over time."

Whitehair thought her research fit in well with K-State's ongoing efforts to improve its image as a university that values sustainability. She said she thinks students are going to start looking at green sustainable communities when they are choosing schools

CHU | Architecture students encouraged to free sketch

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and his willingness to embark on the unknown."

Chu said the reason they wanted to present this was to show how drawing exercises are an exploration of architectural design. According to Chu, part of what they do is make opportunities for themselves by just free sketching things like this. She said that sketching has no agenda the designer often has no idea where the design will end up.

One of my favorite parts was when she encouraged how materials can be used in different ways," said Alice Roam, president of the National Organization of Minority Architecture Students and senior in interior architecture. "I am doing my thesis on the adaptive reuse of a warehouse to a hotel. I am doing this project in Kansas

Chu and Gooding currently run and operate their own architecture firm out of Los Angeles. Chu learned parts of how

to operate her own business with her husband in different ways. She went to a group of female architects in Los Angeles that were multigenerational.

"I was learning by listening," Chu said. "I was also teaching at Woodbury University at the same time I was trying to start up my business, so I was teaching and practicing at the same time. That helped keep the conceptual part of architecture alive."

Chu expressed that she felt the K-State campus presented a warm hospitality to visitors. She said she was really interested in coming to K-State because of its interior architecture program and said she is always interested in what other people and schools are doing and the culture of the

"There is a sense of maturity with all of the students here," Chu said. "The quality of work, the attitudes towards their work. It has been nice since I teach undergraduates sometimes. It just seems like a very mature and dedicated group of students."

Daily Briefs

Andy Rao News Editor

Congress indefinitely postpones SOPA and PIPA after protests

The House and Senate have indefinitely postponed the "Stop Online Piracy Act" and "Protect Intellectual Property Act" in light of recent widespread opposition of both of

the controversial bills. After websites such as Wikipedia and Reddit shut down their websites for a day last week, Congress decided to delay the vote.

Although support for both SOPA and PIPA has been splintered, Congress remains determined to pass measures to crack down on piracy. There a bipartisan initiative called the Online Protection and Enforcement of Digital Trade Act (OPEN) that was proposed by a group of senators on Jan. 18, the same day that Wikipedia and Reddit shut down their websites.

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